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Application	Relationship	Parent App. No.	Filing Date	Status
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Basic Utility		2001 (\$375)		\$375	
Non-English Spec.		1053 (\$130)		\$0	
Recordation Fee		8021 (\$40)	0 x 40 =	\$0	
Excess Claims > 20	27 - 20 = 7	2202 (\$9)	7 x 9 · =	\$63	
Independent > 3	7 - 3 = 4	2201 (\$42)	4 x 42 =	\$168	
Multiple Claim		2203 (\$140)		\$0	
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